2023 Nebraska Water Conference
Omaha, Nebraska

Tuesday, October 3

7:30 – 8:30 am  Registration and poster competition set up  Foyer outside Ballroom

8:30 – 10:00 am  Morning Welcome  Ballroom

   Nebraska Water Center Staff

   Opening Keynote - Managing water resources in urban NE*
   Renee Sans Souci, Omaha Tribe
   Steve Owen, City of Lincoln
   Jim Thiele, City of Omaha
   Doug Whitfield, MUD

10:00 – 10:30 am  Break and Poster Competition  Foyer outside Ballroom

10:30 am – 12:00 pm  Morning Breakout Sessions

   Civity Workshop: Creating Connection in Your Work  Ballroom
   Lucy Hancock, Civity

   Urban Environment*  Ballroom West
   15 minutes to present, 5 minutes for audience questions
   Erin Haacker, UNL
   Kristina Kintziger, UNMC
   Sarah Michaels, UNL
   Judy Joyce, Impact7G

   Flood Planning and Mitigation*  Midlands Room
   15 minutes to present, 5 minutes for audience questions
   Lori Laster, Papio NRD
   Tom Smith, Dodge County Emergency Management and Kevin Kruse, JEO
   Steve Shultz, UNO
   Tirthankar Roy, UNL

12:00 – 1:00 pm  Lunch  Aksarben Room

   Poster Winners Announced  Aksarben Room

   EPSCoR Brainstorming Meeting  Lewis Room

1:00 – 2:30 pm  Afternoon Breakout Session I

   Missouri River Management*  Ballroom
   35 minutes to present, 10 minutes for audience questions
   Nicolás Velásquez, Iowa Flood Center
   Andrea Gebhart and Dan Fricke, JEO

   Tools for Water Management I*  Ballroom West
   25 minutes to present, 5 minutes for audience questions
   Dave Meisbach, NDEE
   Mikaela Cherry, USGS
Junke Guo, UNL
Wastewater and Sewer Systems  Midlands Room

25 minutes to present, 5 minutes for audience questions
Jim Thieler, City of Omaha
Jeff Thompson, SCCWA
Matt Moser, USGS

2:30 – 3:00 pm  Break  Foyer outside Ballroom

3:00 – 4:30 pm  Afternoon Breakout Session II  Ballroom
Urban Agriculture and Landscape Design
Gus Von Roenn, Omaha Permaculture and Tim Rinne, Lincoln
Hawley Hamlet (45 minutes total for discussion)
John Porter, UNL Extension (15 minutes to present, 5 minutes for audience questions)
Kelly Feehan, UNL Extension (15 min to present, 5 min for audience questions)

Tools for Water Management II*  Ballroom West
15 minutes to present, 5 minutes for audience questions
Jesse Korus, UNL
Katie Cameron, ENWRA
Matt Bergmeyer and Rusty Bartlett, SmallData Tech
Brooke Mott, DNR
NDMC Drought Workshop*  Aksarben Room
Grace Campbell, NDMC
Tonya Bernadt, NDMC
Lindsay Johnson, NDMC

4:30 – 5:00 pm  Afternoon Keynote  Ballroom
Basin Wide Planning – Lower Platte River Consortium
Rick Kubat, MUD
Steve Owens, City of Lincoln
Jennifer Schellpeper, Nebraska Department of Natural Resources

5:00 – 6:00 pm  Break  Travel to Gene Leahy Mall (walk or hotel shuttle)

6:00 – 8:30 pm  Evening Reception  Canopies
Food trucks and networking  Gene Leahy Mall

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| 8:30 – 9:00 am | **Morning Welcome**  
  Nebraska Water Center Staff  
  Load buses to tour sites | Ballroom              |
| 9:00 am – 12:00 pm | **Tours**  
  Urban Water Projects Site Tour  
  JEO Consulting Group  
  Platte West Water Treatment Plant Site Tour  
  Metropolitan Utilities District  
  Flood Management Site Tour  
  Papio Missouri River NRD  
  Research Site Tour  
  University of Nebraska – Omaha | Loading Dock          |
| 12:00 – 1:00 pm | **Lunch** | Aksarben Room |
| 1:00 – 2:00 pm | **Lincoln’s Water 2.0 Project – Developing a Second Water Source**  
  Steve Owen, City of Lincoln | Ballroom |
| 2:00 – 3:00 pm | **Urban Water and Wastewater Infrastructure: Prospects and Challenges**  
  Sybil Derrible, University of Illinois – Chicago | Ballroom |
| 3:00 – 3:30 pm | **Break**  
  Foyer outside Ballroom | Foyer outside Ballroom |
| 3:30 – 5:00 pm | **Closing Keynote Panel**  
  The Future of Water Management in Urban Nebraska  
  Amanda Grint, Papio NRD  
  Senator McDonnell  
  Mike Beringer, EPA Region 7 | Ballroom |
| 5:00 pm | **Adjourn** | |

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